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Brother Knights,

The Councils in the Jackson area are working hard on your 2019 State Convention, at the Jackson Marriott. Registration for the Hotel, the Dinners and Lunches and several other things are available on the State Website, www.kofc-ms.org. Please go there and register as soon as possible. The delegate and alternate registration are up too. Register the delegates on line, but be sure to print out a copy to take to the convention with you. You also need to register the Necrology even if you sent a notice to SS Mike Kassouf, when a brother passed away. We will use this list

to honor our deceased members at the Saturday Mass. Please go to Necrology online and list our brothers that are no longer with us. We go back to the last convention, if they were honored last year, do not put them down again. I have been getting copies of lots of reports. If your Council has not completed reports that are due, please take care of them. We are asking that you submit your SP-7 before the Convention. Please go ahead and take care of that. The Council gets a nice award and all you have to do is submit the report. Be sure that you are current with the Supreme and State Per Capita. The bylaws say you have to be current for the Council delegates to be seated.

We are running a little behind on membership. But, with your help, we can still make the State quota from Supreme.

We are working on a letter from both Bishops to go out, supporting the Knights in Mississippi. I have not seen the letters yet, but they are asking Catholic men to consider joining the Knights. This would be an excellent time to do a Church drive to coincide with the Bishop's letters. Order the Church Drive package from Supreme, if you have not already done that. If you want a State officer to attend a Church drive, let us know, and we will try to work it out.

We also need a new Council this year. Evaluate if your Council has a possibility and let us know, if you do. We will be glad to help you.

David Seymour, has been having some health problems and resigned as DD #11. I want to thank David. He did a great job for us. Nick Martino has agreed to take over as DD #11. I have to submit the paper work to make it official, but Nick is going to get started now. Thank you, Nick.

Please work on getting new members in. We need them to survive long term. The Emembership is a wonderful new tool. Use it. It can help.

If someone in your Council has not completed the Safe Kids requirements, please encourage them to finish. It will hurt the Council, if we do not get this taken care of. I took this online, and it can help you recognize a possible threat to our youth.

Thanks for all that you do for the Knights. You are the ones that make things happen. We cannot accomplish our State Goals without your hard work.

Vivat Jesus
Philip Jabour
State Deputy
Mississippi Jurisdiction
Knights of Columbus



From Supreme Knight Carl Anderson

Dear Brother Knight,

I urge you to contact your U.S. Senators today, and ask them to support the Born Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act.

This common sense legislation requires that medical professionals exercise the same degree of care when a failed abortion results in a live birth as they would for a regular delivery.

Our recent Knights of Columbus/Marist Poll found that 56% of Americans believe that an unborn child is a unique life and 75% would limit abortion to, at most, the first three months of pregnancy. However, I think we can all agree that a newborn child has a right to the best care possible, no matter what the circumstances of their birth.

Please visit our Action Alert Center to email your Senators in support of this life saving legislation. If you prefer, you can also call their offices in Washington directly.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.
Fraternally,

Carl Anderson
Supreme Knight

From Supreme Knight Carl Anderson

Dear Brother Knight,

I am writing today to share a call from our bishops to stand up for religious freedom and reject religious tests for public office. I urge you to visit their action alert center today and answer the call to action by contacting your senators and asking them to reject religious tests for judicial nominees.

In recent months, senators have questioned several judicial nominees about their faith and whether it should prevent them from being a federal judge. In three cases, senators even suggested that a nominee's membership in the Knights of Columbus should disqualify him.

Holding judicial candidates to this standard is a clear violation of Article VI of the U.S. Constitution, which states, "No religious test shall ever be required as a qualification to any office or public trust under the United States." The suggestion that one can't be a practicing Catholic and be an impartial federal judge also runs counter to the long tradition of American pluralism.

Earlier this year I wrote to you sharing our proud history of standing up for religious freedom and against religious intolerance and bigotry. Today we have another opportunity to add to that great legacy.

Again, I urge you to stand foursquare with our bishops by contacting your senators today.

Fraternally,
Carl A. Anderson
Supreme Knight

From Supreme Knight Carl Anderson

February 15, 2019

Brother Knight:

For several months, the Knights of Columbus has had the privilege of undertaking a nationwide pilgrimage of the incorrupt heart of St. Jean Vianney. We have been deeply moved to see the impact of this relic on the faithful, and particularly on priests and seminarians as they implore the intercession of the patron saint of parish priests whose holiness and integrity they strive to emulate. We are especially mindful of this great saint's example as bishops from around the world meet Feb. 21-24 at the Vatican under the leadership of Pope Francis to discuss the sexual abuse crisis.

In August, the Knights of Columbus committed to work for repentance, renewal and rebuilding of the Church. That commitment continues today as the Church and her leaders continue to come to grips with the damage that the scandal and its perpetrators have done to victims and to the entire Body of Christ. We repeat today: "Above all else, Knights — and our chaplains — must embrace love of God and love of neighbor. This is Christ's great commandment and the founding mission of our Order."

We also recall the powerful words of Pope Francis in his letter to the U.S. bishops on retreat in January: "This situation forces us to look to what is essential and to rid ourselves of all that stands in the way of a clear witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

Now is the time for Brother Knights to be steadfast in our faith and in our support of the Church in forging a path of renewal and fraternity that puts Christ at the center. We must stand in solidarity with our priests and bishops, and join them and lay Catholics in forging a path of renewal and fraternity that puts Christ at the center. Only then can actions be taken to end this scourge. And in these dark days, we must not lose hope. In his letter to the bishops, the Holy Father made a similar point: "Amid the tempest, we must never lose faith in the quiet, daily and effective power of the Holy Spirit at work in human hearts and in all of history," he wrote. "Credibility is born of trust, and trust is born of sincere, daily, humble and generous service to all, but especially to those dearest to the Lord's heart."

This effort must start with prayer. Prayer must guide and inform the bishops meeting in Rome and the urgent renewal needed in dioceses and parishes around the world. So we invite every Brother Knight and your families to join us in praying a special "Novena for Repentance, Renewal and Rebuilding" from Feb. 20-28. Together, our prayers will make a difference.

Faternally,

Carl A. Anderson
Supreme Knight

Most Reverend William E. Lori
Supreme Chaplain

Ben Mokry, Webmaster

Grand Knights, Financial Secretaries, District Deputies:

Reading the Necrology, the names of Brothers and Ladies Auxiliary members who passed away during the state program year, is a solemn and memorable part of the State Convention. The Mississippi Jurisdiction uses an online reporting tool for Councils to submit names. The database serves a permanent record of members and ladies who have passed away since 2014.

I am pleased to notify you that the upgraded Necrology application is now available for use. The big news is that it has been moved inside the State Directory. The new tool provides greater security and gives users the ability to edit records and a streamlined user experience.

Councils with Auxiliaries The Necrology tool does not currently let Ladies Auxiliary officers enter names. Please work with Auxiliary Officers to ensure Ladies Auxiliary members are entered. A future update will provide access to Auxiliary officers.

See the attached instructions on how to use the Necrology tool.

If you have questions or comments about the application, please let me know.

Ben Mokry
Webmaster
www.kofc-ms.org
601.259.7926

**Ms. State Family Director
Carl Brochard**

Congratulation to the (5) Families that were picked by Supreme for the month of December.

Thomas bailey Jr. Council 1583
Arthur Herbert III Council 4472
Ronald Haaf Council 5654
Michael Robinson Council 9543
Richard Stones III Council 10443

Thanks to the Councils that took the time to turn in (20) Families for Family of the Month of December.
802, 848, 1244, 1583*, 2180, 4472*, 4898, 5654*, 7120, 7974, 8054, 9094, 9124, 9543*, 10216, 10443*, 10901, 11995, 14051, 15155.
If your council turned in a Family and it is not listed please send me the name and council.

Remember it is required to submit a family that was picked as Family of the month to be submitted for Family of the year. In other words you can't pick a family of the year for the State unless the family was submitted during the year.

Carl Brochard

Ms. State Family
broch57@bellsouth.net
228-327-0066

**Ms. State Family Director
Carl Brochard**

I would like to congratulate the (4) Families that were picked by Supreme for the month of January 2019, and also the (18) councils that took the time to turn in a family.

Michael Sterling Council 7120
Ernest Chandler Council 9124
Joseph Toman Council 14051
Glyn Guidry Council 15382

848,898,10344,1244,1583,2180,4472,5654,7120*,8054,9124*,9543*,10443,
10901,11995,14051*,15155,15382*

As I always say If you turned in a Family and it is not listed please send me the Family name and Council.
Carl Brochard

State Family Director
broch57@bellsouth.net



Go to KC Faith in action for new Family of the month form #10668

Action Steps

Working with your pastor, put together a committee of council and parish leaders to serve as that year's Family of the Month Committee

Order the Family of the Month Kit (*forthcoming*) through *Supplies Online*, the supply ordering portal available on *Officers Online*.

Each month, hold a committee meeting to select the Family of the Month. To be selected as Family of the Month, each family should stand out as an exemplary model to others in the parish. They should meet the following criteria:

Is the family tight-knit? Does the family spend quality time together?

Does the family attend weekly Mass together? Does the family pray together outside of Mass?

Has the family made significant contributions to the parish and church community?

Does the family serve as a model of Catholic family values?

Once the Family of the Month has been selected, formally present the Family of the Month Certificate (**#1843**) to them. Make sure that they are duly recognized! This could be after a Mass, at a Knights of Columbus event, or at another parish event. Enlist a fellow Knight or community member to photograph the event.

Use the Family of the Month sample press release as a model to create and distribute a tailored release to local media.

Recognize the Family of the Month in your parish and larger community through a variety of efforts:

Bulletin announcements

Pulpit announcements

Posting on your council and parish website / social media pages

At the end of the fraternal year, prior to your state convention, select one of the previous twelve-monthly winning families to represent your council and parish as Family of the Year. Make sure to contact your state family chairman to stay informed of deadlines and where to send entries.

To gain credit for your program, complete the associated reporting forms and submit them to the Supreme Council Department of Fraternal Mission. Remember to retain copies for your council records.

By the 15th day of the month following recognition, complete and submit the Family of the Month Report Form (**#10668**). For example, the Report Form for the September Family of the Month should be submitted by October 15.

At the end of the fraternal year, complete the *Family Report Form* (*forthcoming*) and your *Columbian Award Application* (**#SP-7**)

2019 State Convention Golf Tournament

The State Convention Golf Tournament is set for Friday April 26, 2019 at Bay Point Golf Course in Brandon, MS. This will be an 8:30 AM 4-Man Scramble shotgun start golf tournament. Proceeds from this tournament will support the Retired Priest Fund. Cost is \$65 per player (Includes refreshments on the course and lunch afterwards); any singles that register will be paired with a team. If you cannot play but wish to give a donation or sponsor a hole, sponsorship is \$85. For more information, including registration forms and hole sponsorship please visit <https://www.kofc-ms.org/convention/2019/>



Knights of Columbus 112th State Convention April 26-28, 2019 Marriott Jackson



The Knights of Columbus has over 7,000 members in Mississippi, and over 1.8 million worldwide. On April 26, an estimated 500 members and spouses will gather in Jackson to celebrate our 115th State Convention.

To commemorate the event, an 80 page-program booklet will be produced recognizing our State and Council Chaplains and their history of service to the members and our families within the 63 Mississippi Councils who will be represented.

Copy ready ads are being accepted at the following rates:

1/4 page: \$ 50 1/2 page: \$ 80 Full 8-1/2 x 11 page: \$150

note: All ads are subject to review and may not be accepted if content is deemed inappropriate

In addition to ads, we are soliciting several levels of sponsorship:

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| \$ 500 | Silver Knight | Complimentary booth space |
| \$ 750 | Golden Knight | 2 tickets to Friday dinner & booth |
| \$1,000 | Grand Knight | 4 tickets, Friday dinner & booth |
| \$2,000 | Crusader | Sponsors Table, Friday dinner |

Recognition:

Sponsors are recognized on a Convention Signage displayed at the Banquet Room entry and the Convention website. They also receive a complimentary full-page ad in the Convention Booklet and complimentary copy of the book.

Sponsors desiring to underwrite a specific event will be recognized at that event and mentioned in the program, accordingly. Grand Knight and Crusader may provide their own banner.

Checks should be made payable to: Knights of Columbus State Convention

Contacts

Sponsorships: Tommy Turk 601-955-1677

Ad Info: John Lacourrége 769-251-9109 or Mike Crandall 601-653-1817



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Mississippi State Council

112th State Convention

26, 27, & 28 April 2019



Where: **Jackson Marriott**
200 East Amite Street
Jackson, Mississippi 39201 USA

Reservations: Link available on the State Website (kofc-ms.org)
or call reservations at
601-969-5100 / 1 800-256-9194 (Toll Free)

Rate: \$114.00 + tax & fees per night

Group Code: 30329

Deadline: April 20, 2019

Convention Registration:

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| Friday Dinner | \$40 |
| Saturday Banquet | \$50 |
| Ladies Luncheon | \$30 |
| District Deputies Luncheon | \$25 |
| Past State Deputies Luncheon | \$25 |

Purchase a Fri-Sat Dinner Package, receive a \$10.00 per meal discount

Hospitality Rooms

Single Room 350

Convention Activities:

Friday Golf Outing
Friday Evening Social around the pool
Jackson Area Tours (more details to come)

Register Now @ www.kofc-ms.org/convention/2019



2019 Mississippi Knights of Columbus State Convention

Golf Tournament

Friday April 26, 2019

Bay Pointe Resort and Golf Club

Bay Pointe Resort & Golf Club features an 18-hole, par 72 course nestled among majestic timberlands and native wetlands.

Format: 18 Hole 4-Man Scramble

Prizes Awarded: 1st, 2nd, 3rd Place Finish, Closest to the Pin, Longest Drive

Start Time: 8:30 AM Shotgun Start

\$65 Per Person Entry Fee \$80 Hole Sponsorship \$5 Mulligans

*Proceeds from Tournament will go to the Retired Priest Fund

*Refreshments provided on the course and lunch afterwards

Please make checks out to Mississippi Knights of Columbus 2019 Convention

Send checks and entry form to:

Ted Gray
1107 Martin Dr
Brandon, MS. 39047

Questions: Chris Lombard at cjl054@gmail.com (662) 312-0756

2019 Mississippi Knights of Columbus State Convention

Golf Tournament Friday April 26, 2019 8:30 Shotgun

Bay Pointe Resort and Golf Club

Player Registration

Team Captain: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____



Hole Sponsorship

| Name | Council No. | Address | Phone | Email |
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Message or Ad for Sign

Fees: \$65 per Player \$80 for Hole Sponsorship

**Make Checks Payable to:
Mississippi Knights of Columbus 2019 Convention**

Mail Checks and entry form to:

Ted Gray
1107 Martin Dr
Brandon, MS. 39047

Bayou Classic 4 Gallon Stainless Steel Fryer with Cart

Retail Value \$525

Raffle Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20

All Proceeds go to Priest Education-Retirement and Right to Life



Bayou Classic

Features

- * Bayou Classic 4 gallon fryer is one of the most efficient fryers on the market today
- * Includes 2 stainless steel fry baskets, temperature gauge, drain valve, 10 PSI regulator kit with stainless steel braided hose
- * No scorch design
- * Features a V-bottom design that keeps the base oil temperature cooler than the top frying temperature so batter does not burn and oil stays cleaner

Drawing held Saturday April 27, 2019. You do not have to be present to Win.



Knights of Columbus
Council 848 Jackson, Mississippi
The Cathedral of St. Peter the Apostle

Brother Knights,

March 1st is International Wheelchair Day. This is a wonderful opportunity for councils to help raise funds for those with a mobility impairment and to answer the prayers of millions of people worldwide who are currently living their lives without a wheelchair. A wheelchair allows children to attend school and adults the opportunity to provide for their families.

The wheelchairs cost \$150 each to sponsor, and the funds can be combined with other councils in your district to deliver a container of 110 or 280 wheelchairs. If councils work together as a district to fund a container of wheelchairs, all councils involved will receive two credits in the Community section of the Columbian Award. In order to receive any credit in the Community section of the Columbian Award, council must submit their [Global Wheelchair Report form #10071](#) to fraternalmission@kofc.org.

The most efficient way to raise funds for the Wheelchair Program is to host a Wheelchair Sunday fundraiser in your local parish with the permission of your local pastor. For more information on how your council can host a "Wheelchair Sunday" visit American Wheelchair Mission's website at www.amwheelchair.org and the Canadian Wheelchair Foundation at www.cdnwheelchair.org.

Donations can be sent to the Wheelchair Mission in the US: **American Wheelchair Mission, 2600 E. Seltice Way #A172, Post Falls, ID 83854** and in Canada: **Canadian Wheelchair Foundation, P.O. Box 75038, RPO White Rock, Surrey, BC V4A 0B1**.

Saint John's council #8285

Members of Saint John's and Knights of Columbus facilitated a monthly bingo at Pine Crest Guest Home for seniors in Hazlehurst last Saturday afternoon February 2nd. They were also assisted by the Girl Scouts this time.

Members of Saint John's and local Knights from council #8285 participate one Saturday each month with many seniors looking forward to our monthly visit.

Saint John's members were Mildred Twiner, Annette Carter, Bill Addie and Scott Waller.

Bill and Scott are also members of the Knights of Columbus.



Hazlehurst Girl Scout Troop 5012.



Council 5654 St. Alphonsus

St. Alphonsus Knights of Columbus Council 5654 celebrated a meal for couples married 50 Years or more Sunday February 10, 2019 at the KC hall. We had 33 couples attend and 5 single people that lost their spouse that would have been married over 50 years, to attend.



Fred and Delia Schillinger were married the longest 68 Years.



Council 9673, St. Mary

Council 9673, St. Mary, Woolmarket, led a parish drive to collect paper goods for the Harrison County Senior Resources Agency Emergency Pantry.

When applying for meals on wheels, a social worker visits the applicant to assess their qualification. In some cases, the applicant's situation needs immediate attention for cleaning and personal care items such as toilet paper, paper towels, and cleaning supplies. These items are the lowest priority for someone living on a few hundred dollars a month.

Grand Knight Thad Anderson discovered this need and suggested the council sponsor an annual "Household Paper Goods Drive" to stock the pantry.



Pictured above: Nellie and John Cruso, Valerie Hill and Eunice Hollingsworth

KC Assembly 562

Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Hattiesburg was recently honored to have Bishop Louis Kihneman as the Celebrant on Sunday, 20 January 2019. At the conclusion of the Mass, Bishop Kihneman, a strong supporter of the Knights of Columbus, posed with KC Assembly 562 Honor Guard, as photographer Juliana Skelton captured this special event.



Council 9673, St. Mary, Woolmarket

Knights Gary Barton, Thad Anderson, and Jimmy Robinson from Council 9673, St. Mary, Woolmarket, completed their annual retreat, Feb. 14-17, at Manresa Retreat House in Convent, Louisiana. If you seek a deeper and clearer understanding of your relationship with God, go to www.manresala.org and apply for a retreat or contact a Knight who has attended.



Most Holy Trinity Council 11995

Most Holy Trinity Council 11995 hosted a Valentine's Dance on Friday Feb 8th at Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church. The event was organized by Scottie and April Cuevas and the band, Dr. Rock and the Interns, provided some outstanding music. We had over 170 people come out and have a great time! This was a fantastic event to bring together our community and parish.



Our Lady Queen of Peace Assembly 3081

On Saturday January 26th Faithful Navigator William "Bill" Horne and his crew from Our Lady Queen of Peace Assembly 3081 in Olive Branch hosted a 4th Degree Exemplification. 17 men from 5 North Mississippi Councils participated; making the move from 3rd Degree Knights to the 4th Degree – Better known as the Patriotic Degree of our Order.

From Council 8848 in Tupelo - Anthony M. Williams, Michael Dye, Patrick L. Dye and John "Eddie" Griffin. From Council 7120 in Southaven - Jay A. Smithson and Allen B. Latimer. From Council 1091 in Oxford - Charles L. Moniot. From Council 8760 in Holly Springs - Darron Dickerson. And from Council 14051 in Olive Branch - Arthur G. Brickey III, Steven C. Gardner, Michael Dudas, Charles G. "Chuck" Quill, Stu L. Grzenkiewicz, Richard W. Sojourner, Christopher J. Merz, Pete A. Reyes and Matthew Bell.

Pictured with the candidates are the members of the North Mississippi 4th Degree Team lead by Ted Lander, members of the Honor Guard lead by Color Corps Commanders Steve Miller and Leonard Temple, District Master Gerald "Jerry" Schmuck, District Marshals Lonnie Treadway and Craig Harrell and District Deputy Dennis Fink. Dignitaries for Saturday's Exemplification were Vice Supreme Master Michael Porter, Past District Master William "Bill" O'Conner, Past State Deputy Peter Sukanek, and Council Chaplain & Faithful Friar Fr. Greg Schill, SCJ.

Congratulations to these men for stepping up to the Patriotic Degree of the Knights of Columbus! For more information about the 4th Degree please contact any 4th Degree member or your Grand Knight.

